

REMARKS:

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 7-15 have been cancelled without prejudice and claims 16-26 remain cancelled. Thus, since the remaining claims 1-6 were allowed in the January 5, 2005 Office Action, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

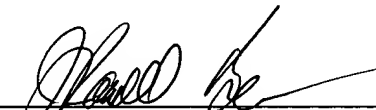
Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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